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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, and in recognition of his duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office relevant information known to be material to patentability, Applicant herewith submits the attached Form PTO-SB-08a.

Applicant cites co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/539,240 as Non-Patent Literature Document 2.

Applicant submits Foreign Patent Documents 1-3 cited herein because they are cited in the related co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/539.240.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the cited references be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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